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FITNESS THE BEST CLAIM.

In considering the qualifications of the several candidates for the Speakership of the House in the Missouri Legislature the members elect of that body should keep plainly in mind the importance of that office and the demand which it makes upon its incumbent,

The Speaker of the Missouri House of Representatives in the next session should be a Democrat of exceptional ability. He should be a conservative and fair-minded man. He should be free from all taint of the lobby, remote from factional fights, and equally clear of personal feuds. He should be one who headquarters from day to day, vitalize will work in thorough harmony with the movement to a point of splendid anithe Dockery administration for the best mation. This is proven by the marked people of the State

The Republic continues to urge this necessity of a wise Speakership choice upon the members elect of the State Legislature because of the importance of such a choice in its bearing upon the general welfare and the record to be made by the Democratic party in Missouri. An unfit man as Speaker can do a vast amount of harm. A worthy man can do great good. The strongest and cleanest Democrat should be chosen for the Speakership.

THEY SEE THE EVIL

It is reassuring to learn from Washington that there is a strong Republican sentiment developing against the shipsubsidy bill, quite a number of Re publican Congressmen being reported as determined to oppose its passage.

There is little hope, however, that this Republican spirit of antagonism to the ship-subsidy bill will materialize to the point of making the passage of the measure doubtful. It is more likely, indeed, that the Congressmen who have now expressed such antagonism will be whipped into line to support the bill. Mark Hanna is determined that the subsldy shall be granted. He and his friends will benefit directly by this taxing of the people. The President's influence will be exerted in behalf of the measure because it is Hanna's pet meas-

Nevertheless, it is good to know that certain Republicans discern the evil of the ship-subsidy bill. Even if they "see the right, and yet the wrong pursue' we will know that they pursue the wrong under compulsion. And a party whose leaders thus compel its represent atives in the legislative branch of the Government to violate their convictions of right is not a party that shall long remain in power. It has the seeds of dissolution already within its body when such symptoms of disease become marifest.

PICTURESQUE MISRULE.

No fiction writer could, by a world wide sweep of his fancy, devise an in cident to prove the inefficiency of a municipal administration more fittingly and picturesquely than the rootless, dis mantled frame house in process of moving which has stood for months on a prominent thoroughfare in St. Louis, blocking the street almost completely.

Other municipal wrongs are painfully patent, but they are not picturesque There is, for instance, nothing pic turesque in Egyptian darkness caused by an absence of street lamps. Nor are there pronounced scenic advantages to a deficit, even though it be a million and a quarter big. The roofless, dismantled house which has obstructed McMillau avenue for months is, however, an exposition of municipal misrule that he who runs may read, even if he runs elsewhere-than in obstructed McMillan avenue, and enjoy, if he lives elsewhere

than on McMillan avenue. A bewildering maze of permits, prohibitions, complaints, protests, new perniits and withdrawals is behind the obstruction. Lawyers and courts would be required to sift through the red tape to determine the questions of abstract change in physical organs and a miscon-

right and wrong involved, but there the house stands, a concrete monument to inapacity and misrule.

Some novelist will some time make the McMillan avenue house and its travels an incident in a novel and then the crities will call his attention to the fact that a good novel should treat only of possibilities and the novelist will rout his critics with the ceply, "This incident actually happened in St. Louis while it was a city of 575,000 inhabitants."

HIGHEST PARTY DUTY

No legithante charge of indifference to his party's welfare can be brought agalest any St. Louisan, Republican or Democrat, who enlists in a movement having for its object the compelling of good nominations for the April elections The party organization which puts up

he best ticket, and is victorious at the polls in consequence, will be greatly strengthened through baying thus made pressible a clean and able administration of municipal affairs. The soundest strength comes from service of this me ture, because such service begets confidence and respect. He is the truesi friend to his party who insists that his party shall render service of this na-

If either or both of the great parties shall refuse to nonduate bonest and capable men next spring, the best party duty is to take part in a good government mevement that will rebule the parties by electing an independent ticket.

In this way only, it will then appear. can the party organizations be brought to a realization of the plain truth that their first and highest duty is to the whole people, and not to a party machine. It is wholesome for parties to be thus rebuked when they have surrendered themselves to machine doud name.

This is the situation now confronting the voters of St. Louis. The city must have good government; it is suffering under the misrule of ringsters. Good government should come from one or other of the party organizations. Both should receive full and fair opportunity to testify to their willingness for good government by nominating a ticket that shall stand for good government. The less worthy ticket should be defeated. If neither is worthy, they should both be defeated. The beneficent logic of this proposition is plain. It will be denled only by ringsters or the spokesman or organ of ringsters.

WORLD'S FAIR BOOM.

It was to have been expected that a World's Fair boom would follow the opening of the new World's Fair headquarters and there is, therefore, no teason for surprise that a most material development of interest and effective enthusiasm is now reported.

Nevertheless, it is in order for St. Louisans to experience profound gratification. All friends of the great enterprise are anew animated with the spirit of willingness to contribute to and work for success. It is also certain that the systematic effort now being directed from the new headquarters will tend most potently to this end.

The establishment of these head quarters, and the admirable volunteer service being rendered by the publicspirited St. Louisaus in charge of the crease in subscriptions to the local fund of \$5,000,000 and the greater ardo and heightening of civic pride which tend to a more complete and far-reaching enlistment in World's Fair work. A visit to the busy headquarters in the Carleton building makes one feel very confident that the St. Louis World's Fair of 1903 is an assured fact.

This considence will be crystallized into absolute certainty when the announcement of the completion of the local fund shall be made from the World's Fair headquarters. St. Louis's voluntary subscription of a local fund of \$5,000,000 will prove to the world that St. Louisans are in earnest in the great enterprise. This fund is the foundation of the whole World's Fair fabric. With such a foundation solidly set as the World's Pair base the building of the whole fabric will then begin and be steadily prosecuted to a glorious fluish. There should be a proud day dawning in St. Louis in the near future-the day of the completion of St. Louis's subscription of \$5,000,000 to the World's

VANISHING ORGANS.

Physicians have recently been inter stingly discussing "normal prophylac tle appendectomy"; that is, the surgical extirpation from persons in normal health of the vermiform appendix with a view to guarding against appendicula at some future time.

While surgeons as a unit opposed the project their consideration of the project able effect on the human race of the amputation of the appendage persistently through many generations forms an interesting contribution to the literature of evolution.

The vermiform appendix is popularly considered to be one of the physical organs handed down from prehominine times. A distinct use exists for the organ in the lower herbivorous animals, which run largely to digestive apparatus, while no use appears for it in man, whose food is prepared for digestion before it is swallowed. It is, therefore, considered to be a relic of the days when, under the theories of the evolutionists, man's ancestors were herblyoous animals. The appendage in man is extremely rudimentary and is taken to be gradually vanishing, as evolutionists assert to be the way with organs that have lost their usefulness. As the use of the organ is approchryphal and as it is the seat of a dangerous malady it

has come to be regarded with interest. In the discussions of the doctors two diverse views were taken of the probable result of the continued amputation of the appendage. Some believed that it would not disappear with continued amputation and they cited such facts as that, although it has been the custom for centuries to bite off the tails of fox terriers soon after their birth, the ap pendage showed no sign of a hereditary or racial shortening. Other physicians believed that the persistence of the organ indicated that it had a subsidiary use in man's physical economy which

had not yet been discovered. A wrong impression of the time required to work a permanent, hereditary

ception of nature's methods of working such changes is probably responsible for the suggestion of "normal prophy factic appendectomy." Evolutionists dig down into geological strata that acous of time have made and speak of changes that millions of years have wrought. The poor thousands of centuries which

For a good idea of the persistence of unnecessary organs man needs only to turn to the dashboard of his automobile. The use of a dashboard is to keep the horse's feet from splashing mud into dushboard remains, a totally useless chstruction to the view of occupants of the vehicle. It will be years before the useless appliance vanishes. All through the mechanical world such persistence of nanovessary forms appears and manis infinitely less conservative than ha

MOST FEARED OF ALL.

If the London Daily Mail is correctly informed by its Cape Town correspond ent, the impending revolt of the Cipe Colony against British rule, reported to that newspaper, is full of danger to British dominance in South Africa.

It was an oprising of this nature which was most feared by the British Government during the progress of the war with the Transvaul Republic and the Orange Free State. Its menace i no less serious now than when those two nations still renatized to be conquered. It is, indeed, even more seelous, in view of the extremely latter anti-British spirit aroused by the stories of alleged Eritish barbarity in dealing with the Poers.

A definite revolt of the Cape Colony. attendant upon the opening of the Dutch Congress in Cope Town next week, would unquestionably make an presistible appeal to all of Afrikander blocal, it would in all probability spread immediately to Natal, and would most certainly stimulate the people of the Transvaal and Orange Free State to a renewed desperate struggle for liberty. This would mean a war in South Africa many times more serious than that now in what has been thought to be its final

It is not strange, therefore, that British loyalists in the Cape Colony are demanding that partial law be proclaimed Their peril is great indeed if an Afrikander revolt is impending. Of even greater magnitude is the peril to Cecil Rhodes's dream of a British Dominion of South Africa should this uprising take place. The road to the establishment of such a confederation of Crown Colo nies promises, in such an event, to be bloody traveling.

Only by making the parties certain that bud or delayed nominations mean defeat at the election can St. Louis force desirable nominations for the April elections. A powerful organization of chizens with the single object of fore ing good nominations can attain the epel.

Missouri and its Congressmen favor an American Nicaragua Canal, one which the United States can use in peace and war, can build, own and fortify. When a law for such a canal is presented every Missouri Congressman will be found ranged in its favor.

Many St. Louisans can easily afford to double the subscription which stands swer this description will find an open door and a welcome at World's Fair headquarters.

France officially is treating Kruger as the chief executive of a foreign nation traveling incognito. An incognito in which even the archins at street corners shout vociferously "Vive Kruger" seems to be something new.

For lack of two men to fill the places the Transvaal has been obliged to play Kruger in the role of both George Washington and Benjamin Franklia and the bewhiskered old hustler has risen to the occasion.

Whenever in years to come St. Louis ans look the moon full in the face revollections of darkest St. Louis and Mayor Ziegenhein will well up. That is all right for Mayor Ziegenhein, but it is hard on the moon.

When a country after the lapse of over a century celebrates a holiday with such gusto as the United States show toward Thanksgiving Day there is reason to believe that a plain need for the

Only one consideration arges the Municipal Assembly to adopt the water rate reduction plan which has been pushed upon their attention: "We might as well be hanged for sheep as for lamos," Sewer Commissioner Hermann, i

seems, will have to salve his grievance that no money is on hand for the city's sewer system with the reflection that no money is on hand for any purpose, Good government in St. Louis, the full

sweep of the World's Fair movement,

and the Twentieth Century-these three excellent things will begin about the same time if all signs don't fall. It must be confessed that the domi bant strain of the Thanksgiving Pay

earoling had all the carmarks of the college football yell. About the only thing to which the Globe-Democrat can "point with pride"

in defending Ziegenheinism is an oc casional moon. Boer General De Wet scens to have an appropriate knack for covering Eritish hopes in South Africa with a wet

Has the Duke of Manchester set a new fashion by going into bankruptcy and matrimony simultaneously?

blanket.

e poor that here within our cauch have need, tricken in body, helpless all elsewise. Is for them this day the churches plead, od's suffering ones, the souls in dreary guise; was their kind that to the Master's feet or healing crept, hissing His garment's hemofortunate enes, to whom this life is sweet, Help them.

Glad in your health, make them a little glad.

Who have not health, but sickness and decay:
Rich in your goods, make them has beer and and
That from the saledows note your sunlit day;
For them the saledows note your sunlit day;
For them the saledout and the arbus strear—
O ye of costly garb and sparaling gam,
Make answer to the pear that call so near,
Help them: Make answer to the p

RIPLEY D. SAUNDERS.

GOVERNOR DOCKERY'S MAIL

erson City, Mo., Dec. L. The Portyfirst General Assembly will convene Wednesday, January 2. From now till the determine City will be the Mecta of all who were political preferment at the hands of man's history records are as seconds of the Legislature or expect reward from the time to the evolutionist.

Legislature before the Legislature by days must clause before the Legislature enveney, and a good six weeks must purpoliticians who are after the plants has begun to be in evidence, There is no way of forceasting what the General Assembly will the bed of the vehicle. Although the body of the vehicle, the self-body of the vehicle, the self-body of the vehicle. Although the body of the vehicle with the will not be self-body of the vehicle with the vehi thet there of the House and Senate have

Islature will not be as extensive as was hat of the legislators who composed the Fortieth. I have talked with a number of the new members who have been here to select their sents in the half of the Housof Representatives and in the Senate Cham-her. All have expressed themselves to the effect that the business of the Forty first General Assembly can be transacted with a much smaller force of clerks than was

The Porty-first General Assembly will be in Important one to many ways. The pursage of the seven constitutional smendments gives the Legislature a wither scope and makes possible constructive legislation that would observable have been unwarranted. and this city when the headquarters of the Lemograms for any to committee were in the former place now find their way to the efflues he neffectal legislation are necessarily the former place now find their way to the optial. Until the next campaign Jeff-reson fity will be the rechasive political storm of the next within the next campaign Jeff-reson fit the Fortieth. The percentage of members will be exclusive political storm bors with very care sign is about an average in the Fortieth. The percentage of members were within the first week several care indicates for the speakership have made it would member have been re-checked. This indicates the flower and Senate have been re-checked. This number is considerably smaller than in 188. This of their will be more resolved. This number is considerably smaller than in 188. This of their will be more resolved. What the trend of legislation will be the order of things until two his measures that will be incomed. What the trend of legislation will be this session is accordingly a matter of these appointments, and who will be this session is accordingly a matter of the order of Missouri. I say surmising left truth to official family of the cast Geven remote the height to the capital will become general and the rush after device their said of the surfaces that seem most to engage the attention of those who make any the legislature will develop into a serumble. It might be said here that

pages of the statutes.

A syntiment to tax corporate franchises is also prevalent among the lawmakers who will meet in Jefferson Clay tols winter. A number of the Democratic members of the last Legislature were assistant in their efforts to pass a law taxing franchises. The measure, however, never found its way out of the committee to which it was referred. In answer to the inquiry sent out by the input in question twenty-two members of In answer to the inquiry sent out by the purper in question twenty-two members of the Legislature say they will use their influence for the passage of a measure har posing a tax upon lutancible property of this kind.

There are within the gife of Governor-the reading the next House. This will be unwelcome news to those who know of his wonderful in the purper property to the next House. This will be unwelcome news to those who know of his wonderful in the first from the party feating them are separably to the next House. This will be unwelcome news to those who know of his wonderful in the first from the party feating deserves recognitive.

the Forty-First General Assembly. Fortieth General Assembly passed an elaborate roud law that seemed to deal with almost every phase of this important matter, but something over a year's experience with its provisions shows that it has many shortcomings and is entirely ansatisfactory. Twenty-nine members of the next House will advocate the revision and changing in many ways of this law that covers several pages of the statutes.

A sentiment to tax corporate franchises is also prevalent among the lawmakers who will meet in Jefferson City this winter. A pered by that dread of public men-profit uses of preferment, Because of this, ther is guessing in political circles, and especial-

The Question of Appointments Je Prospective Legislation of

of the capital. Pefore leaving this week for Washington Mr. Dockery had on file at his office in Gallatin 1.3G applications. One day's mail brought in 147 letters from Democrats who think their party featty deserves secogni-

vocal accomplishment, and especially to those whose duty it will be to listen for seventy days to the reading of bills, resolutions and the divers documents

totions and the divers documents that has their way to the desk of the reading clerk of the Missouri Lexislature.

Mr. Pollard is now Judge of the Fourth District Justice Court of St. Louis. Champ Clark has designated Judge Pollard "the man with the marvelous voice."

E. M. WATSON.

BY ALLEN V. COCKRELL.

SENATORS WHO WILL SOON RETIRE FROM THE NATIONAL BODY. 🗷 🔏

true, that with Wolcott, Allen, Marion Butor a few days before Congress convenes
railroad stations in Washington proit a never-ending panerama of living
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west of the great American Parillament,
where facus are familiar through counts. tures of well-known public men. Men ners names have been rendered famous their strength and eloquence in the two and where faces are familiar through count-es prints, come on every train from Matter said that since the election the South Deellectual lights in Congress. Their retirelice men, and, one might well add, legislative freaks. The more prominent of this
mixed group are: Senators Pettigrew of
South Dakota, Wolcott of Colorado, Chilton
of Texas, Allen of Nebraska, Thurston of
Nebraska, Marion Butler of North Carolina,
Caffery of Louislana, Carter of Montana,
and Undsay of Kentucky; and Representatives bolliver of Iowa, and Balley of Tex
as, who go to the Senate, "Private" John
Allen of Mississippi, John J. Lentz of Ohia,
Lectimer of Himols, William Astor Chauller of New York, Terry of Arkansas, Stailler of New York, Terry of Arkansas, Stailler of New York, Terry of Arkansas, Stail-

post, Pettigrew has received perhaps the largest measure of fame and abuse. Tis o California and from far-away Washiov-in to Florida. Same, armed with the cer-dity of another two or six years in the a lively time before the 4th of March next. dity of another two or six years in the case or Senate, are eager to shy their color into the legislative arem, and once are engage in forcessia combat with their depolitical enemies. Others not so fortusts, like the Homanble Richard Frankin ettigraw, come with gall in their hearts, and at the slightest provocation to take ther to engage upon these who caused bir downfall. Of this latter class, whose migressional careers and with this session, to included some of the most famous including lights in Congress. Their retires crushed victim. So in the text for months we may look for the gentlem. nent to the oblivion of private life will be from South Dakota going forth like the serious defection from the list of our public men, and, one might well add, legis devour of Hanna's pet projects. It is ruof New York, Terry of Arkansas, Stail- fall, we may look for Mr. William Vincent mis of Alabama, Kerr of Ohlo, and "Fight- Allen's famous fifteen-consing Joe Wheeler." The distinction is left to speech record broken by the ous fifteen-consecutive-hourgentleman discerning public. It is a sad fact, but from the bleak Northwest. In the passing ling his twelve years of senatorial service gallery break into ledges of pearl."

shouldered giant and a man of the kindli-est temperament. His resignation of a district Judgeship to accept the appoint-ment as Senator to succeed M. L. Hayward recalls a funny little incident which occurred in connection with a trial over which he was presiding. A witness had been badgered by opposing counsel about his denial of intoxication until he had become completely rattled. Judge Allen, taking pity on the mon, and with a view to belping him, asked him kindly from

the bench: "Did you say, 'I was not drunk?" The witness looked up considerably sur-prised, and exciaimed with a most depreciat-

ing air of injured innocence;
"Why, I never said anything of the kind about your Honor, at all!"

There was a fitter and then a roar of laughter throughout the courtroom. Judge Allen flushed, bit his lip, rapped sternly for order, and from that time till his return to the Senate never made another attempt

Edward O. Wolcott of Colorado, who eajoys the distinction of being the spendthrift of the Senate, is another of the senatorial group whose exit will lessen the gayety of that reverend tribunal. Welcott is a most lavish spender; has done away with a fortune or two in his time, and is known among his colleagues as a well-developed example of the "good-fellow" specie. Dur-

when he was sent into a Southern State to advecate Republicanism. At a certain place he was politely informed that the "rally" would begin and end about the speech there. Wolcott was determined, however, and upon learning that the citizens, as a rule, were kind enough to permit speakers to get out of town and ful their next appointments, he conci make his speech as billed. The chairman was instructed to dispense with the music and introduce him to the audience in as few words as possible. The advice was fol-lowed a little too literally. He simply pointed at the audience and then at the speaker and disappeared behind the scenes. Wolcott began his speech at once with one of his best stories. The audience was separated, the colored folk all being in the

center of the theater shouted, in concert, Wolcott paused for a moment, and then waving his hand at the gallery, said, "Wait-er, come down and take the Chinamen's

gallery and only white people below, In about five minutes Wolcott's discretion was

overcome by his Republicanism, and he made a pointed thrust at the opponent par-

ty, whereupon a body of young men in the

effect was electrical and effectual laughingly referring to the incident at ward, the Senator said: "You should have that dusky hillside of faces in the

CURIOUS FEATURES

About the Coming Reinauguration of & Jo Jo President McKinley. Is at Is

successor. It is a point that lends pictur-caque interest to the coming inauguration, the last of the coming inauguration, the last of the coming inauguration, the last of the last of the last of the con-carred having been in 1872, when General Grant began his second term. In all prob-ability, this celebration will be much more speciacular than the last, just as was the pectacular than the last, just os was the case when the hero of Appointation was in-stalled in the White House. The Repub-licans are likely to make it a day of special triumph and jubilation in honor of their to double the subscription which stands of participation in honor of their opposite their names in the World's Fair fund list. St. Louisins who am bull, at a cost of \$25,000, instead of using the Pension Office for that purpose.

Mr. McKinley will ride from the White House to the Capitol alone to deliver his address-a thing which has not happened three 1877. It occurred also in 1888, but that was because Andrew Johnson was un-friendly to Grant, and refused to accompany him, just as John Adams would not go with Jefferson under similar circumstances and for the same reason. Being at once the otgoing and the incoming thief Executive of the nation, Mr. McKinley will occupy alone the rear seat of a carriage drawn by our horses, and will thus be enabled more onveniently to distribute right and left his the enthusiastle multitude,

About half-past 10 o'clock on the morning March 4, the Republican leader on the our of the House will rise and move that countrities be appointed to wait upon the resident and inform him that the gress has completed its work and is about to adjourn, incidentally inquiring whether to has anything further to communicate to he national legislative body. The motion eing carried, the Speaker will name five seling carried, the Speaker will have seen members for this purpose, and, a like step baying been taken at the other end of the lightful, the ten selected Representatives ad Senators will proceed to the executive will report that they saw the President, and that he stated that, while having no com-munication to make, he desired to convey to the Congress his thanks and congratula-

as on the work accomplished by it. This is the regular formal routine preribed by official etiquette, but it is worth entioning that on March 4, 1897, when Mr. Daizell of Peansylvania was made chaircan of the flowse Committee appointed to ported on coming back that the committee and been unable to perform the duty as-signed to it, for the reason that Mr. Cleve-and had aircrafy left the White House. This, most people considered, was not very politie on Mr. Cleveland's part. If Mr. Bryan had been elected Mr. Mc-

Couley, on his way to the Capitol with him, could have set on his right, occupying the clace of honor as the de facto President. having relinquished his office, he would have sat on the left when coming buck, being then a mere private citizen. This is what will happen on March t, 1965, when a ball tailroom and made the establishment to the Chief Magistrate is inaugurated, and chief center of fashion during the Harris

On March 4 next, for the first time in twenty-tight years, a President of the United States will be his own immediate cumstances that the plaudits are addressed exclusively to the executive that is to be. oxidatively to the executive that is to be.
Of course, a great parade, including many
thousands of troops, will escort Mr. McKinley to and from the Capitol. It will be
abominably cold and very likely raining (at all events, it usually is such weather in Washington on March 0, and the President washington on March 4, and the research will take a hasty luncheon with a few friends in the private dining-room at the White House before going out and exposing himself to the hazard of pneumonia on the

> Roosevelt, being the only new thing, or pretty near it, in the administration, will be an object of much interest necessarily, Mr. Hobart, if he were alive, would make a valedictory speech in the Senate, windir up by handing over the gavel to "Teddy who would respond with "a few appropriate words." Circumstances being what they are, the President pro tem, of the upper house will introduce the new Vice Prestmarks the last he will have a chance utter, by the way, before that body for four long years. When he relinquishes the office in 1994 he will have another chance to deliver a brief oration, custom granting him that opportunity, though the retiring President of the United States plays only a thinking part in the inaugural performance

not opening his lips. People are puzzled to imagine how Roose velt, who seems so keenly to enjoy being in the public eye, will be able to resign himself to the relative obscurity into which Vice President almost necessarily sinks. The only way in which a man holding that office can be conspicuous is by cutting a wide swath socially, and to do that in Washington costs a great deal of money The Vice President elect has only a mod erate private fortune by no meat cient to enable him to make what is vulgarly termed a "splurge"—and his salary of \$8.000 a year will hardly do more than pay the rent of a house suitable to the dis-nity of his position. The pay of a Vice President ought to be \$25,000 per annum, but 'ongress has never been able to see the matter in that light, and, therefore body who is not very rich can really afford

to hold the position. Mr. Hobert was a millionaire, but he did t do much entertaining, though he occupled a fine house, in which Senator Dor Cameron formerly lived, opposite Lafayette Equare. Consequently, he was by no mea corapleuous figure in Washington, 171s Immediate predecessor, Adlai Stevenson was a poor man, and to avoid expensive social requirements fived in a suite on the third floor of a hotel. Levi P. Morton was the only Vice President within the memory of the present generation who was prominent at the capital, and this he accomplished by the lavish use of his enor-mous wealth. He bought a pulatial dwelling on Scott Circle, added an annex for a lin the course of our conversation. "No, no tallroom and made the establishment the chief center of fashion during the Harrisson Mme, Wu, "Just because I can't, I guess,"

then the latter will do sil the bowing. Mr. administration. Each New Year's Day he McKinley not even removing his hat, mass-gave a reception, which, while attended by they will be due to the wishes of the holda less indiscriminate crowd, vied in popular interest with that at the White Hou

Roosevelt cannot do these things and must be content with a passive obscurity that may chafe his strengous soul. He will insignificant office that ever the invention of man contrived." Not being a member of the Senate, he will not be permitted to speak in that body; he will have no in-fluence in the appointing of committees, and he will not even be admitted to the he will be so unimportant that after taking the oath he need never again enter the Senate Chamber. In truth, his only re business will be to wait for Mr. McKini to die, a most uncomfortable position to

of the Cabinet, following the usual custom will offer their resignations to Mr. McKinley in due form by letter. This will enable him to get rid of any of them without embarrassment if he wishes to do so and to replace them with other men. His present official family, however, is more than ordinarily harmonious, and it is supposed that he would be well satisfied to have it remain as it is for another four years,

ers of certain portfolios, who for business or other reasons are anxious to relingu John Hay will certainly go out. His health is not good, and, being a multi-mil-lionaire through his wife, the salary of the office he now holds is of no importance to him. It is likely that he will be sent as an Ambassador to England—an agreeable sine-cure. Mr. Long will also insist upon the acceptance of his resignation. His wife is not able to live in Washington. limate disagreeing with her, and he has other domestic reasons abandon his present job. Attorney General Griggs will probably go, business opporunities tempting him, and it is expected

that Mr. Gage will quit also.
Mr. Hitchcock and Postmaster General
Smith will almost undoubtedly stay in the
Cabinet, and the same may be said of Mr. Wilson. It is very hard to get a suitable man for Secretary of Agriculture-a man. man for Secretary of Agriculture—a man, that is to say, who is at the same time a practical statesman and acquainted with the farming business in a thorough wal. Mr. Wilson, who left a professorship in the lowa Agricultural College to accept his present office, has been notably successful in the latter, and Mr. McKinley would be extremely loath to let him go. As for Mr. Root, who is to-day the dominant and most influential figure in the Cabinet, he will probably be made Secretary of State, if he can be persuaded to remain,

MADAME WU'S IDEA OF AMERICAN WOMEN

All Americans Make Much Money," She Says, Mme. Wu Ting Fang, wife of the Chine

Minister at Washington, is certainly one of the most interesting women in the na-tional capital and one of the most popular in the diplomatic circle. Her personality is attractive in more ways than one. She always appears to be good natured, and she s always kind with those with whom she comes in contact. She seems to look upo life as an interesting experience which grows more wonderful with each day, and he sometimes treats her visitors as if they were absorbing curiosities in whom her en tre thought is centered for the time being This was my position when I sat before her in the drawing room of the Chinese Legation the other day, writes a Republi orrespondent. Mme, Wu asked me almost nnumerable questions about mysel my relatives and about my personal affair in general. And I answered them the best of my ability, for who And I answered them all ! throw away an opportunity to please so gracious a hostess? She seemed really interested in my affairs and I was glad to gratify her curiosity. "You make much money?" she inquired

was my reply. "All Americans make much money," she said, in a puzzied way, which only goes to show that the wife of the Chie Minister has still much to learn abo America and Americans, though the have lived here several years. They were previously stationed in London, and Madam doesn't hesitate to say that she likes Washe

"Much bad weather in London," she said? "It was impossible to be out much. Washington is fine, because we can go out nearly every day in our automobile. It is great

Mme. Wu speaks English fairly well, but, nearly so fluently as her husband. Her not nearly so fluently as her husband. Her accent seems more French than Chinese. The automobile which she enjoys so much has been lately purchased, and the Min-lster or some member of his family rides out in it every fine day. The Wus are decidedly up-to-date in many ways, but Madam deprecates the "new woman" that she hears "The American girls are some of them to

enterprising," she says, "They dress must like men and they do many things which men do. It is very surprising. I saw man women in England who were rather pecua-llar, but I think some American giris do nore strange things than the English girls more strange things than the English girls, do. They go everywhere, and often they are gione. I should think they would be alraid, but they are not. They are able to take care of themselves, and I admire them for that, but I think they may go too far, if they are not careful."

I felt compelled to defend our "new womeen." "But you must admit that our girls are able to work and make money, and that this is an advantage," I said, Mime. Wu agreed with me. "It is indeed an advantage," is send, "I like to see girls not too dependent, but I like also not to see them too little dependent." Which sentiment closed the subject.

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Mine. Wu takes great interest in her home and is said to be an excellent housekeeper. The Chinese Legation is one of the handsomest residences in Washington, and its interlar is remarkable for the treasures of oriental art collected by Minister Wu. The furnishings are half American and half Chinese, and the result is a charming combination of all that is good in both styles of decoration.

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Ame. Wu attends personally to the conduct of her household. She has become expert in shopping, according to the American
idea, and her work is done mostly by colored servants, who have been trained in
American households. She is an early riser,
and her mornings are given up to the necessary duties devolving upon a housekeeper,
in the afternoon she usually goes out, and
in the season her time is much taken up
with social engagements, for her presence
is in demand at all receptions and entertal
ments. She does not, however, believe
devoting too much time to society.

"Most American women are wholly occupied with engagements outside their homes,"
she said to me, "and I wonder how they
can manage their domestic affairs. I think
it very had for women to be out too much,
in China our women are expected to care
for the home and to be seldom seen in public, and I find it hard to become used to the
English and American way."

Occasional entertainments are held at the
Chinese Legation during the winter, for
Mme. Wu is not forgetful of her duties as
the wife of a foreign Minister. These social
events are looked forward to with pleasant,
antichpation by Washington society, because
they are invariably unique and highly enjoyable. The hostess is happy in the
pleasure of her guests, and appears to like
American social customs. But when she returns to China her friends will doubtless
hear some strange things regarding the
"new woman" of the Occident,

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SUGGESTION FOR A TABLET IN THE HALL OF FAME.